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Sir:

This paper is submitted as an inquiry as to the status of the application identified above.

More than eighteen months have passed since the filing of this application on February 20, 2004, accompanied by a post-card. A Filing Receipt was received May 18, 2004. A Notice of Publication of Application was received September 7, 2004. No further communication has been received from the Patent and Trademark Office indicating action on this application.

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